

# A Mixture of Gaussians Model for Fading Channels

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# Physical Channel Modeling Phenomena

- Path Loss

- $Power \propto \frac{1}{distance^n}$

- Large Scale Fading

- Lognormal, Gamma, Inverse-Gaussian

- Small Scale Fading

- Rayleigh, Nakagami- $m$ , Rician
  - $\alpha$ - $\mu$ ,  $\eta$ - $\mu$ ,  $\kappa$ - $\mu$

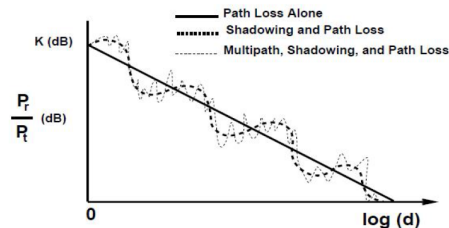


Fig.1.1 Path loss, shadowing and multipath versus distance

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- This leads to an **intractable integral**

- Symbol Error Rate (SER), Moment Generation Function (MGF), Amount of Fading (AF), . . . are **cumbersome**.



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- RIGD and  $G$  Distributions by Karmeshu *et al.* and Laourine *et al.*
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  - Approximates:
    - Nakagami-m,  $\eta$ - $\mu$ ,  $\kappa$ - $\mu$ , . . .
    - Yet, only applicable to **certain** integral formulations.

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# The MoG Model

We propose the use of Mixture of Gaussians distribution...

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$$f_{\alpha}(x) = \sum_{j=1}^C \frac{\omega_j}{\sqrt{2\pi}\eta_j} \exp\left(-\frac{(x - \mu_j)^2}{2\eta_j^2}\right)$$

$$f_{\gamma}(\gamma) = \sum_{j=1}^C \frac{\omega_j}{\sqrt{8\pi\bar{\gamma}}\eta_j} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\gamma}} \exp\left(-\frac{(\sqrt{\frac{\gamma}{\bar{\gamma}}} - \mu_j)^2}{2\eta_j^2}\right)$$

- We need to estimate:
  - $\omega_j$  and  $\theta_j = \{\mu_j, \zeta_j\}, j = 1, \dots, C$
  - $C$  is the number of components.



# Expectation-Maximization

- Utilize the **EM** algorithm to approximate fading channels.
  - Coined by Dempster *et al.* in 1977.
  - Iterative Solution to the Maximum Likelihood Estimation.
- Pros:
  - Automated (Unsupervised Algorithm)
  - Proven not to get worse, as it iterates by.
- Cons:
  - Might get stuck in a local maxima; works well in practice.

# Expectation-Maximization | Approximation Methodology

- Problem Formulation:

- Let the  $i^{th}$  entry of a random data vector  $Y = (y_1, \dots, y_2)$ , which represents the **envelopes** of the composite models, be regarded as **incomplete data** and modeled as a finite mixture of Gaussians.

$$p(y_i|\theta) = \sum_{j=1}^C \omega_j \phi(y_i, \theta_j), \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

where  $\phi(y_i, \theta_j) = \mathcal{N}(\mu_j, \zeta_j)$ .

# Expectation-Maximization | Approximation Methodology

- Solution consists of two iterative steps:

- $\mathbb{E}$ -step  $\rightarrow \rho_{ij}^{(m)} = \frac{\omega_j^{(m)} \phi(y_i | \mu_j^{(m)}, \eta_j^{(m)})}{\sum_{l=1}^C \omega_l^{(m)} \phi(y_i | \mu_l^{(m)}, \eta_l^{(m)})}$ .

- $\mathbb{M}$ -step  $\rightarrow$

- $\omega_j^{(m+1)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_{ij}^{(m)}, j = 1, \dots, C,$

- $\mu_j^{(m+1)} = \frac{1}{n_j^{(m)}} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_{ij}^{(m)} y_i, j = 1, \dots, C,$

- $\eta_j^{(m+1)} = \frac{1}{n_j^{(m)}} \sum_{i=1}^n \rho_{ij}^{(m)} (y_i - \mu_j^{(m+1)})^2, j = 1, \dots, C.$

- Keep iterating between  $\mathbb{E}$  and  $\mathbb{M}$  until convergence, when  $|L^{(m+1)} - L^{(m)}| < \delta$

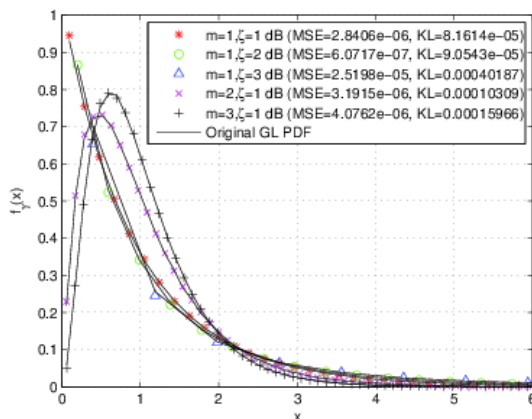
- $L^{(m)} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log \left( \sum_{j=1}^C \omega_j^{(m)} \phi(y_i | \mu_j^{(m)}, \eta_j^{(m)}) \right), i = 1, \dots, n,$

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# Nakagami

As an example, we approximate Nakagami-Lognormal Scenarios...



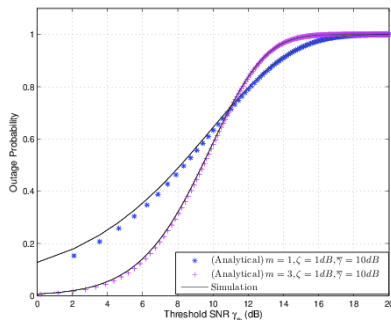
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# Outage Probability

- Standard performance criterion for fading channels.

$$F(\gamma_{th}) = \sum_{i=1}^C \omega_i Q\left(-\frac{\sqrt{\frac{\gamma_{th}}{\bar{\gamma}}} - \mu_i}{\eta_i}\right).$$



# Moment Generation Function

- Critical for raw moments and error analysis.

## Moment Generation Function

$$M_{\gamma}(s) = \sum_{i=1}^C \frac{\omega_i}{\sqrt{\beta_i}} \exp\left(\frac{\mu_i^2 s}{\beta_i}\right) Q\left(\frac{-\mu_i}{\eta_i \sqrt{\beta_i}}\right).$$



# Raw Moments

- $\mathbb{E}[\gamma^n] = \sum_{i=1}^C \omega_i \bar{\gamma}^n \frac{d^{(2n)} M_X(s)}{dx^{(2n)}} \big|_{s=0}$ 
  - $X_i \sim \mathcal{N}(\mu_i, \zeta_i)$

## Raw moments

$$\mathbb{E}[\gamma^n] = \sum_{i=1}^C \omega_i \bar{\gamma}^n \eta_i^{2n} 2^n \frac{\Gamma(n + \frac{1}{2})}{\sqrt{\pi}} {}_1F_1[-n, \frac{1}{2}, -\frac{\mu_i^2}{2\eta_i^2}]$$

- e.g. to evaluate Amount of Fading

$$\text{AF} = \frac{\mathbb{E}[\gamma^2] - (\mathbb{E}[\gamma])^2}{(\mathbb{E}[\gamma])^2}.$$

# Average Ergodic Capacity

- When only the receiver has knowledge about the channel state information, then

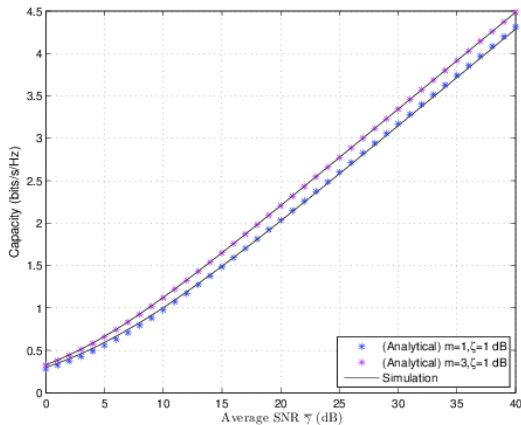
$$C_{erg} = \frac{B}{\ln 2} \int_0^\infty \ln(1 + \gamma) f_\gamma(\gamma) d\gamma,$$

$$\ln(1 + \gamma) = \ln(1 + \mathbb{E}[\gamma]) + \sum_{w=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{w-1}}{w} \frac{(x - \mathbb{E}[\gamma])^w}{(1 + \mathbb{E}[\gamma])^w}.$$

## Average Ergodic Capacity

$$C_{erg} \approx \frac{B}{\ln 2} \left[ \ln(1 + \mathbb{E}[\gamma]) - \frac{\mathbb{E}[\gamma^2] - \mathbb{E}^2[\gamma]}{2(1 + \mathbb{E}[\gamma])^2} \right],$$

# Average Ergodic Capacity, Cont.



# Symbol Error Analysis

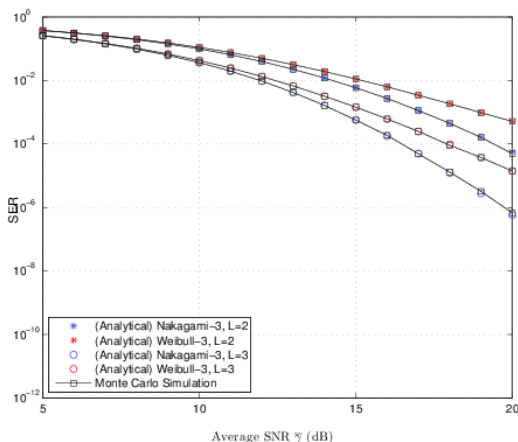
- We consider  $L$ -branch MRC diversity receiver

$$\gamma_{MRC} = \sum_{k=1}^L \gamma_k.$$

$$p_s(E) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^{\frac{(M-1)\pi}{M}} \prod_{k=1}^L M_{\gamma_k} \left( \frac{-\sin^2(\frac{\pi}{M})}{\sin^2(\theta)} \right) d\theta,$$

$$\begin{aligned} P_s(E) = & \frac{4}{\pi} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{M}} \right) \left[ \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \prod_{k=1}^L M_{\gamma_k} \left( \frac{g_{QAM}}{\sin^2(\theta)} \right) d\theta \right. \\ & \left. - \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \prod_{k=1}^L M_{\gamma_k} \left( \frac{g_{QAM}}{\sin^2(\theta)} \right) d\theta \right], \end{aligned} \quad (1)$$

# Symbol Error Analysis, Cont.



# Summary

- Represented non-composite and **composite** fading channels by MoG distribution, using EM algorithm.
- Resulted in **tractable** analytical tools for performance analysis over generalized fading channels.
- Watch out for the Journal edition (**arXiv:1503.00877**):
  - Details of Approximation Methodology.
  - Determination of number of components.
  - Additional application to cognitive radio networks.
- Framework is easily extendable to other scenarios:  
*diversity systems, cooperative communications and others*  
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